

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	10169	Agenda Number	42.
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Meeting Date:	October 20, 2011
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 36-month service contract with ANDY J. WILHELM, SAN MARCOS, TX, or one of the other qualified bidders for IFB-BV No. SDC0164, for vegetation control at eighty creek buffer ponds for the Watershed Protection Department in an amount not to exceed \$90,240, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$30,080 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$180,480.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$30,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Watershed Protection Department. Funding for the remaining 24 months of the original contract period and for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required

Purchasing Language:	Best evaluated bid of four bids received.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Steve Cocke, Buyer II, 974-2003
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Boards and Commission Action:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C or D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore no goals were established for this solicitation.
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Related Items:	
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Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide vegetation control at eighty (80) City maintained ponds located within the stream buffers of the Barton Spring Zone. Due to the sensitivity of this area, these ponds require specialized vegetation management that ensures minimal disturbance to the surroundings. Under this contract, each pond will be mowed at least three times a year and invasive woody plants will be removed on a quarterly basis. This level of maintenance will ensure each pond is compliant with the Environmental Criteria Manual, Drainage Criteria Manual, and dam maintenance policies and procedures while following site-specific Intergraded Pest Management (IPM) plans.

MBE/WBE solicited: 7/5

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB-Best Value No. SDC0156
Vegetation Management at Creek Buffer Ponds

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>TOTAL BID</u>
Andy J. Wilhelm San Marcos, TX	\$30,080
Advantage Landscape Austin, TX	\$64,000
Environmental Survey Austin, TX	\$92,880
TIBH Industries, Inc. Austin, TX	\$101,059.20

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition.
- One hundred fifty-eight were sent, including 7 MBEs and 5 WBEs. Four bids were received, with no responses from the MBE or WBE firms.
- The pricing offered represents a 58% decrease from the last contract award. This can be attributed to the lowering gas prices.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- Best evaluated bid received. Andy J. Wilhelm is not the current provider of these services.
- The Purchasing Office concurs with the Watershed Protection Department's recommended award.
- Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.